



# Cityscene

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A Report to the Citizens of the City of Fairfax



## DATELINE

### Library Discussion Scheduled for October 7

The public is invited to discuss the future of the Fairfax County Public Library, with a focus on the City of Fairfax Regional Library and Virginia Room, at a meeting October 7.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. October 7 in the City Hall Annex. For information, call 703-324-8324.

### Traffic Detours for Fall Festival October 12

The following traffic detours will be in effect from 5:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. October 12 during the Fall Festival; call 703-385-7924.

**Route 236/Main Street** — Traffic will be detoured to North Street.

**University Drive** (closed at North Street) — Traffic will be detoured to Route 123/Chain Bridge Road via North Street.

**George Mason Boulevard** (closed at Armstrong Street) — Traffic will be detoured to Route 123/Chain Bridge Road via School Street.

### Columbus Day Closure October 14

The General District Court will be closed October 14 in observance of Columbus Day. For information, call 703-385-7866.

However, city government offices will be open regular hours for service, and all city services will be provided as usual.

**If you're new to the city, welcome!**  
Call 703-385-7800  
for new resident information.

## Fall Festival October 12 Has Crafts, Music, Lumberjacks

**R**edesigned for 2013, this year's Fall Festival from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. October 12 in Old Town Fairfax will

feature more music, new entertainment—and more than 400 crafters lining the historic streets.

Juried crafters will sell handmade wares such as pottery, toys, woodcrafts, needlework and more. Entertainment and activities are planned for festival-goers of all ages.

New this year: the All-American Lumberjack Show & Interactive Lumberjack Camp featuring professional lumberjacks (sponsored by JL Tree Service) and the Country Stage featuring Morrison

Brothers and Sam & Lexie.

Admission to the festival is free, with fees for rides and some children's activities.

The layout has changed: North Street will be open to traffic, and the following roads will be closed to traffic during the festival: University Drive from North Street to Armstrong Street; Main Street from West Drive to East Street; Sager Avenue from Chain Bridge Road to East Street; and Armstrong Street from Chain Bridge Road to University Drive. (See road closure information at left).

Children will have their own activities throughout the festival and will include



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## Partial Tax Exemption Offered for Renovated Homes

Residents who plan to substantially upgrade their older residences may be eligible for a partial real estate tax exemption.

The exemption amount is based on the increased value of the residence that has been substantially rehabilitated, renovated or replaced. Exemptions are given for a 10-year period, with a 100 percent exemption of the increased value for the first five years then decreasing percentage for years six through 10.

The residential structure — single-family house or duplex — must be at least 15 years old. The improvements

must increase the assessed value by at least 15 percent. The homeowner must obtain appropriate building permits and inspections during the home improvement process.

Applicant must apply for the exemption *before any construction begins* (preferably as soon as any required building permits are granted).

The city assessor will establish the base value of the home before construction begins, and approve the exemption upon final inspection after construction is finished. For information, call 703-385-7840.

## In Memoriam: Nathaniel "Nat" Young

Nathaniel F. "Nat" Young, former City Councilmember and Mayor of the City of Fairfax, passed away September 6. The city mourns his passing.

Young, born August 11, 1921, in Norfolk, Va., moved to Fairfax in 1923 and graduated with the Class of 1939 from Fairfax High School. He spent two years at Virginia Military Institute then, in 1942, volunteered for the U.S. Army Corps during World War II.

After a 23-year career in the U.S. Air Force, he taught physics and math at Northern Virginia Community College. He served three terms on the City Council between 1966-74, and then served as Mayor from 1974-78. He retired to Pensacola, Fla., where he remained active in politics.

## IT Director Bohan Retires; Barbour Appointed

Gail Bohan, who has been the director of Information Technology Department (IT) director since 1997, has retired. During her tenure, the city had a number of initiatives, including building the city's telecommunications network, telephone system, and geographic and mapping systems. Under her guidance, the city received awards from the National League of Cities and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The city manager has appointed Lynn Barbour to be the new director of Information Technology. The 29-year veteran of the city has served as IT assistant director since July 2005.

As director, Barbour will manage the city government's technology including city financial, tax and procurement systems, website, telephone service and telecommunication networks, and provide technology services to all city departments.

**University/Community  
Forum  
7:30 pm October 2  
Braddock District  
Government Center,  
9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke  
Information: 703-993-8846**

## Craft Show, Festival of Lights and Carols On the Horizon Sherwood Center Hosts Lights and Carols in 2013

The city ends the year with two popular events: the Holiday Craft Show and the Festival of Lights and Carols. For information, call **703-385-7858**.

The Holiday Craft Show will fill Fairfax High School with hundreds of crafters November 16-17. The event will include a food court and photos with Santa.

The show will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday at the high school, 3501 Rebel Run. Admission is \$5 each day for adults or \$8 for a two-day pass, free for children age 17 and younger.

Shuttles will be available from 9:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. November 16 from the parking lot of Democracy Square (10340 Democracy Square).



Ring in the holiday season December 7 at the Festival of Lights and Carols. This year, the festival has moved lock, stock and Santa to the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway.

Youngsters up to age 12 can enjoy lunch with Santa Claus at 11 a.m., noon and 1 p.m. December 7 in the Sherwood Center. Tickets cost \$6 per child and will go on sale November 1 at the Parks and Recreation Department offices in City Hall, Sherwood Center and Green Acres Center.

Other activities throughout the day include a Winter Wonderland, music, hot cider, s'mores and a Yule Log — and the annual ceremonial lighting of the Christmas tree will begin at 5 p.m. that day.

## Virginia Sales Tax Holiday Offered October 11-14

The Virginia Department of Taxation is offering a four-day sales tax holiday October 11-14, during which no Virginia sales tax will be collected on qualifying energy-saving items.

The exemption applies to the purchase of certain qualified Energy Star and WaterSense products purchased for non-commercial use and costing \$2,500 or less.

Qualifying items include dishwashers, clothes washers, refrigerators, air conditioners, ceiling fans, compact fluorescent light bulbs and programmable thermostats that carry the Energy Star designation.

Qualifying WaterSense items include bathroom sink faucets, faucet accessories and toilets. For information, call **(804) 367-8031**.

## Mason Plans Lectures, Stargazing, Alumni Weekend

George Mason University offers the community a myriad of events and programs on the Fairfax campus.

The Astronomy Department offers informal night sky observing sessions in the new observatory in the Research I building October 7 and 21; November 4 and 18; and December 2 and 16. Sessions may be cancelled due to inclement weather. For information, visit [observatory.onmason.com](http://observatory.onmason.com) or call **703-993-9558**.

The 2013-14 Vision Series continues October 21 with "Nature-Inspired Computation" by Mason Professor Ken De Jong. Upcoming lectures include "Addressing the Haggis: Culture and

Contestation in the Making of Scotland's National Dish" November 18 and "Footnotes: Creating Contemporary Dance" February 2, 2014.

Lectures are held at 7 p.m. at the Center for the Arts. Admission is free, but tickets are required. For information, call **703-993-8888** or visit [visionseries.gmu.edu](http://visionseries.gmu.edu).

Mason Alumni are invited back to campus October 4-6 for Alumni Weekend, which features an array of activities and an opportunity to get reacquainted with former classmates. For information, visit [alumniweekend.gmu.edu](http://alumniweekend.gmu.edu) or call **703-993-8696**.

# Don't Bag It! Curbside Leaf Collection Begins November 4

The City of Fairfax will offer curbside leaf collection from November 4 through December 31.

Please rake loose leaves to the curb — but do not bag them. Bagged leaves will not be collected during curbside leaf collection and the landfill will not accept them as trash.

Light yard debris (such as grass clippings and weeds) may be included in leaf piles.

However, please keep stones, branches and other large items out of leaf piles — they damage equipment and endanger workers' safety.

Help the city reduce labor, save time and conserve



fuel: *please have all leaves at the curb by December 24* for prompt and efficient removal.

The city is divided into six sections, and leaves are collected in rotation by neighborhood. Crews circulate through neighborhoods at least once every two weeks, often more frequently. Heavy leaf fall or inclement weather may affect leaf collection.

The city is among the only local jurisdictions to provide this service at no additional charge to its residents.

For information, call the Leaf Collection Hotline at 703-385-LEAF. Also, sign up for the "leaf collection" category on eMAS, the city's electronic message alert system — update your current subscription, or enroll at [emas.fairfaxva.gov](http://emas.fairfaxva.gov).

## Voter Registration Continues Through October 15 Before Election Registration Now Accepted Online for Eligible Virginians

City voters may exercise their right to vote in the November 5 General Election. Polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day. Sample ballots are available at the General Registrar's Office and on the city's website.

**Voter registration** — To be eligible to vote in the upcoming General Election, voter registration applications are due by 5 p.m. October 15.

Eligible Virginians now may register to vote online at [vote.virginia.gov](http://vote.virginia.gov). Voter registration applications also are accepted by the General Registrar (office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays) and at Virginia DMV customer service centers.

Virginia voter applicants must be

U.S. citizens at least 18 years of age on or before Election Day, residents of Virginia, and residents of their local precinct.

Virginia voters should keep their information current (name, address) — and update changes immediately.

**Absentee voting** — In-person absentee voting is available from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays (excluding holidays), as well as October 26 and November 2, at the Sisson House next to City Hall. The final day for in-person absentee voting is November 2.

Mailed or faxed absentee ballot applications must be received by 5 p.m. October 29. For information, visit the city's website or call 703-385-7890.

## City Code Updated to Clarify, Strengthen Hunting Ban

With an eye to public safety, the City Council in September clarified and strengthened the section of the City Code that prohibits hunting within the city's municipal boundaries. For information, call 703-385-7960.

The Commonwealth of Virginia enables municipalities to prohibit all hunting with firearms or other weapons in, or within one half mile of, any subdivision or other area of the city.

The dense population and development of the city make hunting dangerous to inhabitants throughout the city.

The City Code, however, contains an exemption for law enforcement officers and animal control officers discharging their duties.

The city has a very active and knowledgeable Animal Control Office, and those with concerns regarding wildlife in the city may call 703-385-7919.



### Cool Fireplace Ashes for Safety

Improper disposal of fireplace ashes can cause injury and property damage. Even after the fire is gone, ashes retain heat and embers for as long as three days.

Dispose of fireplace and barbecue ashes in a metal container with a tight-fitting lid (to keep out air) or leave them to cool in the fireplace for at least three days. For information, call 703-385-7830.

When ashes are completely cold, they may be placed in the trash for disposal.

Fireplace ashes are beneficial for compost piles. Call 703-385-7837 for composting information.

### Contractors Must Carry Away Their Own Debris

The city provides trash, recyclables and debris collection for city residents. Residents who have debris from do-it-yourself home improvements may place their debris at the curb for collection.

Those who hire builders and contractors — even gardeners — must make sure these contractors remove all debris from the property themselves.

The city will not dispose of refuse generated by contractors.

### Recycling, Disposal Information Available

The City of Fairfax has two flyers to help residents properly dispose of trash and recyclables in the city:

- *How to Dispose of Items in the City*, which lists what items may be disposed of where and how in the city, and
- *Curbside Recycling is Easier Than Ever*, which lists what items are recycled in the blue bins collected by the city.

For a copy of the flyers, visit the city's website (click on "Refuse & Recycling" on the home page) or call 703-293-7141.

**INFORMATION: 703-385-7837**



# DID YOU KNOW

- Cobbdale Civic Association is hosting *Meet the Candidates Night* at 7:30 p.m. October 16 at Henry Lodge Masonic Temple, 10503 Oak Place. Scheduled candidates include Sheriff, Delegate (37th District), City of Fairfax Treasurer and City of Fairfax Commissioner of the Revenue.
- Prepare for an earthquake: join the Great Southeast Shakeout at [shakeout.org/southeast](http://shakeout.org/southeast). At 10:17 a.m. October 17, practice what to do in case of an earthquake.
- Join area governments and businesses for Jeans Day October 18 ([jeansday2013.eventbrite.com](http://jeansday2013.eventbrite.com)): wear jeans and donate \$5 to the Partnership to End Homelessness.

## Fall Festival

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musical entertainment, pumpkin painting and amusement rides.

The Main Stage on South Street near University Drive will feature a beer garden and live music: *The Reflex (the Ultimate '80's Tribute Band)* and *Scythian (Rousing and Rauous Celtic and world music)*. Enjoy cultural performances in Old Town Hall throughout the day.

The Woman's Club of Fairfax will sell its annual Christmas ornament, which this year features George Mason University's Johnson Center. Cost is \$10.

Check out the Open House at Fire Station 3, 4031 University Drive.

Free shuttles will run from Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run, and from George Mason University, 4400 University Drive.

Handicapped and bicycle parking will be available in parking lots at North Street and Old Lee Highway, Main and East streets and adjacent to Fire Station 3.

Festival rain date is October 13. For information, visit the city's website or call 703-385-7858.



## Personal Property Taxes, Vehicle Decals Due October 7

Personal property tax bills and vehicle decal bills are combined on one form, and payments for both are due by October 7. Payments received or postmarked after October 7 will incur a 10 percent penalty plus interest.

To avoid long lines and delays, promptly check the bill and report any changes to the Commissioner of the Revenue at 703-385-7880.

If the bill requires no changes, please mail the payment promptly.

Citizens may pay taxes and decal fees online through the city's website using a credit card or e-check. Credit card payments are charged an additional fee by the service provider. There is no additional fee for e-checks.

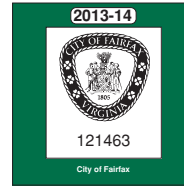
The offices of the Treasurer and the Commissioner of the Revenue in City Hall are open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., as well as:

- Saturday, October 5, 9 a.m. to noon
- Monday, October 7, 5-7 p.m.

Those whose payments were made online or by mail will receive their decals by mail after October 17. Decal enforcement begins November 16. *Decals are required to be displayed on vehicles garaged in the city.*

The 2013 personal property tax rate is \$4.13 per \$100 of assessed value. The commonwealth will pay 55.05 percent of up to \$20,000 of assessed value for personal use vehicles. The tax reduction appears on tax bills as a credit. Citizens must pay the net amount due on the tax bill. Decals cost \$33 each for cars and trucks and \$18 each for motorcycles.

For information on tax payments, call 703-385-7900. For personal property tax information, call 703-385-7880.



## Recycling Volunteers Sought for Fall Festival October 12

Recycling enthusiasts, here's your chance to help the city launch a new recycling program: dedicated recycling bins at the Fall Festival October 12.

Volunteers will help set up and break down the recycling containers and monitor their use during the festival, making sure festival patrons use them properly and that they're emptied promptly.

Volunteers also will have an opportunity to speak with festival-goers about the city's recycling program.

If this sounds like the opportunity for you, consider signing up for a three-hour shift between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. October 12. A sign-up form is available on the Environmental Sustainability page on the city's website, or call 703-385-7816.

## Volunteers Sought for Advisory Boards

- **Board of Building Code Appeals** (two vacancies: mechanical/plumbing, fire protection representatives) — Hears appeals to the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code and makes recommendations to the state board of housing for changes or modifications to the building code.
- **Board of Equalization of Real Estate Assessments** (one vacancy for city resident) — Hears appeals of assessed value of real estate. Court appointed. Meets as needed.
- **Commission on Organ Tissue Donation and Transplantation** (one vacancy for city resident) — Heightens awareness of the need for donations.
- **Community Appearance Committee** (one vacancy for city resident or business representative) — Coordinates the city's Adopt-a-Spot program and clean-up month/day programs, in addition to commercial, residential and holiday decoration award programs. Meets on the fourth Thursday of the month.
- **Fairfax Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board** (one vacancy for city resident) — Serves as directorate for the local programs within the local Alcohol Safety Action Program.
- **Fairfax Area Disability Services Board** (one vacancy for city resident) — Advises local government about the service needs of persons with physical and sensory disabilities and implements the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- **Human Services Committee** (one vacancy for city resident) — Offers forum for city's representatives to regional boards and commissions. Addresses emerging trends and unmet human services needs in the City of Fairfax. Meets on the third Monday of January, April, July and October.
- **Personnel Advisory Board** (one vacancy for alternate position for a city resident) — Hears grievances of city employees for the fifth and final step of the grievance procedure. Meets as needed.

Applications will be considered at an upcoming City Council meeting following submission. Unless otherwise noted, city residency is required (at least one year living in the city and registered to vote in the city). Submit letters of interest and résumé (if available) to City Clerk Melanie Burrell. Vacancies are subject to change. Prospective applicants who represent diverse or minority groups are especially encouraged to apply. Information: 703-385-7935.



OCTOBER

## CITYSCREEN-12 SCHEDULE

**The Fairfax Scene**

Through October 17, learn about historic happenings in the City of Fairfax. Beginning October 18, enjoy highlights from the 2013 Fall Festival Entertainment.

The Fairfax Scene plays at 2 pm and 6 pm daily. Shows are archived online under "special programming" and on the city's YouTube channel.

**School Board Meeting**

Monday, October 7, 7:30 pm, LIVE  
replays: Tuesday, October 8, 10 am;  
Thursday, October 10, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Monday, October 21, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Tuesday, October 22, 10 am;  
Thursday, October 24, 10 am, 7 pm;  
*Archived online October 8*

**Planning Commission Meetings**

Monday, October 14, 7 pm, LIVE  
replays: Tuesday, October 15, 10 am, 7 pm;

Thursday, October 17, 10 am, 7 pm;

*Archived online October 15*

Monday, October 28, 7 pm, LIVE

replays: Tuesday, October 29, 10 am, 7 pm;

Thursday, October 31, 10 am, 7 pm

*Archived online October 29*

**City Council Meetings, Work Sessions**

Tuesday, October 8, 7 pm, LIVE  
replays: Wednesday, October 9, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Friday, October 11, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Saturday, October 12, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Sunday, October 13, 10 am, 7 pm  
*Archived online October 9*  
*OnDEMAND replay begins October 13*

Tuesday, October 22, 7 pm, LIVE  
replays: Wednesday, October 23, 10 am, 7 pm  
Friday, October 25, 10 am, 7 pm  
Saturday, October 26, 10 am, 7 pm  
Sunday, October 27, 10 am, 7 pm

*Archived online October 23*

*OnDEMAND replay begins October 27*

**Watch Cityscreen-12 Online, OnDEMAND**

View Cityscreen-12 at your convenience. On the Internet, the 24-hour bulletin board plays continuously and televised meetings and special programs are available live and are archived for later viewing. For information, visit the city's website.

City Council meetings and work sessions are available in the Cox Communications On DEMAND "Free Zone."

**Program Copies Available**

Cityscreen-12 programs are available for loan on Blu-Ray and DVD from the City Manager's Office (703-385-7855; [information@fairfaxva.gov](mailto:information@fairfaxva.gov)). Blu-ray or DVD copies of some programs, may be purchased for \$15 each.

For information, call 703-385-7803 or e-mail [Rachael.Roth@fairfaxva.gov](mailto:Rachael.Roth@fairfaxva.gov). Programs may be recorded for private viewing.

**Programming is subject to change — see Cityscreen-12 to confirm the programming schedule. Information: 703-385-7803.**

**Proposed Agendas for School Board, Planning Commission, City Council****School Board (for information, call 703-385-7911)***October 7 regular meeting*

- Student representative report.
- Update of the governor's fiscal year 2013-14 budget.
- Public hearing on the five-year Capital Improvement Program.
- Approval of a resolution supporting the Virginia School Board Association lawsuit regarding the Opportunity Educational Institution (OEI).

*October 21 work session*

- Presentations: of membership report; of student achievement update; of Principal Assessment Standards and Indicators; of the environmental Sustainability Committee; of legislative agenda; of updated Six-Year Plan.

**Planning Commission (for information, call 703-385-7930)***October 14 and October 28 regular meetings*

- No agenda items have been set.

**City Council (for information, call 703-385-7935)***October 1 work session*

- Discussions: of the stormwater regulations; of bond funds.
- Update on development projects in the city.

*October 8 regular meeting and work session*

- Consideration: of an award of the contract for the Route 123/Chain Bridge Road bridge project; of a resolution amending policy on athletic facility regulations; of an award of a contract for construction of the Ashby Pond trail.

- Public hearing on a request for a special exception to modify the requirements for building mounted signage for a financial institution in the C-2 Commercial District at 3941 Pickett Road.
- Joint discussion with Economic Development Authority and Planning Commission on the Fairfax Boulevard Commercial Development Market Analysis
- Discussion and update of the tank farm and status of upcoming related legislative issues.

*October 22 regular meeting and work session*

- Consideration of a resolution to opt out of VRS-Virginia Local Disability Program (VLDP).
- Approval of the Water Contract with Fairfax County.
- Approval of the city's proposed 2013 Legislative Package.
- Award of contract for the rewriting of the City Code relating to Zoning Ordinances.

**Meeting information is subject to change; call to confirm.**





# CITY COUNCIL REPORTER

July 23, 2013

## Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously: Introduction of an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a landscaping maintenance license agreement with Clarks Corner Homeowners Association, Inc., to install and maintain landscaping improvements within a portion of the city's right-of-way for a renewal period of five years; Introduction of an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to procurement of goods and services; and Consideration of a resolution authorizing staff to take necessary actions to obtain federal financial assistance (SAFER Grant) to hire three full-time fire-medics to enhance staffing in the Fire Department for a period of two years.

## Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, that the Council defer to September 10, 2013, a public hearing on a request for a special exception pursuant to City Code to allow three ground-mounted center identification signs that identify individual tenants at the Pickett Road Industrial Park and to allow modifications to the placement and size of a ground mounted sign at 3801-3835 Pickett Road.
- Approved, unanimously, the application for subdivision ordinance variance to create two out-lots without the requirement for providing frontage improvements along McLean Avenue and Howerton Avenue/Perry Street required by City Code at 3521 and 3523 McLean Avenue, subject to conditions.
- Approved, unanimously, a permit to demolish a structure in the Old Town Fairfax Historic District on the lot located at 10415 North Street, consistent with the recommendation from the Board of Architectural Review, for the expansion of Old Town Square/Kitty Pozer Garden Park.
- Approved, unanimously, an appropriation resolution in the amount of \$130,000 to fund design and construction of a trail with proffer and grant funds for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2013.
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to holidays and leave for city employees.

## Appointments to Boards and Commissions

- Reappointed Michael Slawski to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for a three-year term extending through September 1, 2016.
- Reappointed Gary Robinson and Jack Anderson to the Board of Architectural

Review, each for three-year terms extending through September 30, 2016.

- Appointed Jackie Thompson to the Commission for Women for the remainder of a three-year term extending through June 30, 2015.
- Appointed Kerstin LeFloch to the Northern Virginia Community College Board for a four-year term extending through July 23, 2017.
- Reappointed Arthur Little to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority for a four-year term extending through September 30, 2017.
- Appointed Gary Bottorff to the George Mason Fairfax Campus Advisory Board for a two-year term extending through July 23, 2015.

## Council Comments

- Requested a status update of the Ashby Pond trail.
- Requested staff post the city's responses to the questions asked from NARAL Pro-Choice America on the city's website so that the community may view the document.

September 10, 2013

## Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously: Consideration of a resolution in support of the Governor's proclamation calling all citizens of Virginia to participate in a Day of Service during September 15-29; Consideration of a resolution to approve the design concepts for the Northfax (Route 29/50/123) intersection and storm drainage improvements project; Consideration of extension of contract to Woolpert, Inc. for \$125,000 for engineering services for storm drainage system evaluation; Consideration of an extension of contract to RK&K for engineering services for the final design of the Old Town drainage improvements project; Consideration of the 2014 City of Fairfax special event run requests pursuant to City Council Road Race and Road Closure Policy; Introduction of a supplemental appropriation resolution in the amount of \$32,000 to complete the funding for surveillance video cameras for the CUE buses (\$12,000) and to allocate the funding (\$20,000) for the mobile vault for CUE cash fares; Introduction of a supplemental appropriation resolution in the amount of \$132,046 to complete the funding for the Reconstruction of Route 50 from Rebel Run to Fairfax Circle; Introduction of an ordinance amending City Code to add a new Section 54-175, pertaining to unlawful hunting. (Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)

- Approved, unanimously, a resolution to designate the City Manager as the signatory for funding agreements with the Virginia Department of Transportation. (Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)

## Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, the withdrawal by the applicant of a request for a special exception pursuant to City Code to allow three ground mounted center identification signs that identify individual tenants at the Pickett Road Industrial Park and to allow modifications to the placement and size of a ground mounted sign on the premises at 3729-3739, 3759-3769-D and 3801-3835 Pickett Road. (Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)
- Approved, unanimously, the request to revise one of the conditions of an existing special use permit for a governmental use in the R-2 Residential District pursuant to City Code to allow a public address system on a softball field at Fairfax High School at 3501 Rebel Run, with conditions. (Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)
- Approved, unanimously, to adopt an ordinance approving a landscaping maintenance license agreement with Clarks Corner Homeowners Association, Inc., for use of the public right-of-way for installation and maintenance of various landscaping improvements within the city right-of-way provided that the contract and any amendments are acceptable to the city manager and approved as to form by the city attorney. (Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)
- Approved, unanimously, to defer until September 24, 2013, a public hearing on an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to procurement of goods and services. (Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)

## Items not requiring a public hearing

- Approved, unanimously, to authorize the City Manager to award a contract for an estimated amount of \$1,624,773. to Arthur Construction Co., Inc. for the reconstruction of Route 50 from Rebel Run to Fairfax Circle, provided that the contract and any amendments are acceptable to the city manager and approved as to form by the city attorney. (Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)

## Comments by City Council


- Requested staff contact Fairfax County officials to determine if those books that the Fairfax County Library is disposing of could help with disaster relief and low income situations.

*Council Reports are condensed due to space constraints. For a complete copy, call 703-385-7935.*



# City of Fairfax Community Calendar

# October 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Helpful Phone Numbers</b> City government information..... 703-385-7855 City News and Events Line..... 703-273-1776 Arts and Cultural Events Line..... 703-352-ARTS City of Fairfax Regional Library ..... 703-293-6227 Civil War Interpretive Center..... 703-591-0560 Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center..... 703-385-8414 FHS Sports Line..... 703-749-8130 George Mason University events..... 703-993-1056 Information is subject to last-minute change.		<b>1</b> Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex	<b>2</b> Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex Environmental Sustainability Committee meeting, 7 pm, Sherwood Center University/Community Forum, 7:30 pm, 9002 Burke Lake Road	<b>3</b> City of Fairfax Democratic Committee meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex	<b>4</b> Fairfax High School homecoming parade, 4:15 pm, Old Lee Highway (traffic detours in effect — call 703-385-7924) Bingo, 7:15 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department) Mason Alumni Weekend, George Mason University	<b>5</b> Commissioner of the Revenue, Treasurer offices open 9 am to noon Mason Alumni Weekend, George Mason University Ratcliffe-Allison guided tours offered 11 am to 2 pm
<b>6</b> Mason Alumni Weekend, George Mason University	<b>7</b>  <b>12</b> Vehicle decal, personal property tax payments due; Commissioner of the Revenue, Treasurer offices open until 7 pm Fairfax County Public Library discussion, 7 pm, City Hall Annex School Board meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex	<b>8</b>  City Council meeting and work session, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)	<b>9</b> Historic Fairfax City, Inc., meeting, 7 pm, Civil War Interpretive Center	<b>10</b>  <b>Business owners: be sure to sign up for the "Business News" category of eMAS, the city's electronic message alert system!</b>	<b>11</b> State tax holiday for Energy Star and WaterSense products — see page 2 Sherwood Cinema Series: Oz the Great and Powerful, 7 pm, Sherwood Center Bingo Nitehawks Swing Band, 8 pm, Old Town Hall	<b>12</b> State tax holiday for Energy Star and WaterSense products — see page 2 Fall Festival, 10 am to 5 pm, Old Town Fairfax (rain date: 10/13)
<b>13</b> State tax holiday for Energy Star and WaterSense products — see page 2 Second Sunday Series: Mapping Virginia: From the Age of Exploration to the Civil War, 2 pm, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center	<b>14</b> <i>Columbus Day</i>  <b>12</b> City government offices open General District Court closed State tax holiday for Energy Star and WaterSense products — see page 2 Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)	<b>15</b> Last day to register to vote before November General Election Commission for Women meeting, 7:15 pm, City Hall	<b>16</b> Economic Development Authority meeting, 5:30 pm, 4031 University Drive Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Candidates Night (see page 4)	<b>17</b> Independence Day Celebration Committee meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex City of Fairfax Republican Committee meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex	<b>18</b> Jeans Day — fundraiser to end homelessness Bingo, 7:15 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department) Soprano Dr. Laura Mann — Stellar Highlights from Musical Theater, 8 pm, Old Town Hall	<b>19</b> Market dedication, 11 am corner of North and Main Street (near Truro Anglican Church) Ratcliffe-Allison guided tours offered 11 am to 2 pm
<b>20</b>  <b>As winter weather approaches, consider "adopting" a nearby hydrant — keep it from being buried in snow, leaves and other debris.</b>	<b>21</b> School Board work session, 7:30 pm, Fairfax High School Evening Under the Stars, 8 pm, Mason Observatory (weather permitting)	<b>22</b>  City Council meeting and work session, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)	<b>23</b>  <b>Find out first! Find out fast! Sign up for eMAS, the city's electronic message alert system: <a href="http://emas.fairfaxva.gov">emas.fairfaxva.gov</a></b>	<b>24</b> Community Appearance Committee meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex	<b>25</b> Bingo, 7:15 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)	<b>26</b> General Registrar's Office open from 8:30 am to 5 pm for absentee voting Old Town Fairfax guided walking tour, 11 am, Ratcliffe-Allison House Civil War Interpretive Center Series: <i>The Sleeping Sentinel</i> , 2 pm, Civil War Interpretive Center
<b>27</b> Complete the Circle Event and Foodraiser, 1 pm, Fairfax High School	<b>28</b>  <b>12</b> Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)	<b>29</b>  <b>Reduce, reuse, recycle! The city can help — request additional recycling bins by calling 703-385-7837 or e-mail <a href="mailto:Dave.Ray@fairfaxva.gov">Dave.Ray@fairfaxva.gov</a>.</b>	<b>30</b>  <b>Check out Leisure Times for classes, trips, activities, special events and more!</b>	<b>31</b> Halloween — trick-or-treating, 5-8 pm 	 <b>Mark your calendars: the Fairfax Bike Summit will be held from 9 am to 3:30 pm November 2 at George Mason University. Information: <a href="http://www.fabb-bikes.org/summit">www.fabb-bikes.org/summit</a></b>	 <b>Events at George Mason University, including concerts and student activities, may affect traffic in the city. For information, visit <a href="http://today.gmu.edu">today.gmu.edu</a> or call 703-993-1056.</b>



# ARTS, CULTURE & RECREATION

## Cinema Series Continues October 11; Food Donations Accepted

Watch *Oz the Great and Powerful* for free at 7 p.m. October 11 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Participants may bring their own snacks — and, from 7-9 p.m., Our Daily Bread will accept non-perishable food items.

## History Talks October 13, 26

Enjoy the presentation of *Mapping Virginia: From the Age of Exploration to the Civil War* at 2 p.m. October 13 at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street. For information, call 703-385-8414.

Find out about *The Sleeping Sentinel*, the Union soldier who fell asleep during his watch in 1861, at 2 p.m. October 26 at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Fairfax, 3610 Old Lee Highway. For information, call 703-691-0560.

## Chocolate Lovers Festival Grant Applications Now Accepted

The Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee seeks nominations for its annual

grant program. Grant applications are accepted by the committee through November 15.

Non-profit organizations applying for the grant must be located in the City of Fairfax or, if located outside the city, must provide service directly to people who live in the City of Fairfax.

Grant recipients will receive a portion of the event's proceeds. For an application, call 703-385-7949.

## Step into Fairfax History October 26

Learn about city history by strolling in Old Town Fairfax with a knowledgeable guide. A guided walking steps off at 11 a.m. October 26 from at the Ratcliffe-Allison House, 10386 Main Street (which also offers a free guided tour from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays through October). Cost is \$5 per person, \$15 per family. For information, call 703-385-8414.

## Bonita Lestina Performance Series Begins October 11 in Old Town Hall

Enjoy these free concerts in historic Old Town Hall through the spring. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. at 3999 University Drive, and doors open by 7:30 p.m. for seating.

October 11	Nitehawks Swing Band — Big Band Music of the Swing Era
October 18	Soprano Dr. Laura Mann — Stellar Highlights from Musical Theater
November 8	U.S. Army Band, Downrange — Pershing's Own Rock Band
December 6	Cathedral Brass — A Cathedral Brass Christmas
January 10, 2014	Madelle Duo and Friends — Chamber Music Classics
January 24, 2014	Marquis Ensemble — Clarinet/Cello/Piano Repertoire
February 14, 2014	D'Amore Duo — Classical Guitar and Oboe
February 28, 2014	Ismar Gomes & Wan-Chi Su — Classics for Cello and Piano
March 14, 2014	Irish Breakfast Band — Traditional Irish Folk Music and Dance
March 28, 2014	U.S. Navy Band Country Current — Premiere Country-Bluegrass Ensemble
April 11, 2014	Fairfax Saxophone Quartet — Jazz Classics for Saxophone

Information: [www.fairfaxarts.org](http://www.fairfaxarts.org) • 703-352-ARTS

For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 703-385-7858 (TTY Relay: 7-1-1).



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